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**Applicant(s)**

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**Power of Attorney:** The patent practitioners associated with Customer Number 22428.**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP05/50846 02/28/2005

**Foreign Applications**

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**If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted:** 05/10/2007**The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is US10/591,537****Projected Publication Date:** 08/16/2007**Non-Publication Request:** No**Early Publication Request:** No

**Title**

Metal element coated with a coating layer comprising an inherently conductive polymer

**Preliminary Class**

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